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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### ORIENTAL RESEARCH.

### AMERICAN PLANS IN PALESTINE.

At the conference of the Asiatic research societies in London, Professor Clay described the activities of American Assyriologists. He said the American School of Oriental Research in Palestine is shortly re-opening on a more extensive scale than before the war and he hoped it would work in close co-operation with the larger and more important school contemplated by British scientists.

Professor Cordir read a paper on the great development in the knowledge of Chinese art during the past twenty years and the influence thereon of Buddhism.

### THE SILVER MARKET.

London, September 5.

The silver market is very quiet.

### OUR PEKING LETTER.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Peking, August 30th.

Students have again interfered in politics, but not so successfully as before. The grievance which they cherished on this occasion was the high handed action of Ma Liang, the military governor of Tsinan, who proclaimed martial law in order to cope with the boycott movement and took advantage of it to have three leading citizens executed. Delegates came to Peking to lay their case before the President, but they were not permitted to see him and were in fact arrested after an eight hour vigil at the Hsinhuamen. This action on the part of the police was rather tactless, and at one time it appeared as if even a greater blunder might not be perpetrated, for it was reported that one of the number was to be shot. Such a course would have been the crassest folly. The students may be misguided, but they are by no means acting criminally. Eventually these students were liberated, but not before greater demonstrations had taken place in the vicinity of the President's palace. These, however, proved fruitless, and after a homily from the Cabinet regarding their indiscretions they retired from the field defeated but not vanquished. They have still plenty of fight in them, and we shall no doubt hear from them again, but for the present they submit to circumstances. It is perhaps absurd to have mere boys interfering in politics, but China is rich in absurdities and paradoxes, and whatever be their mistakes the students deserve credit for having roused national opinion to expression with regard to the Shantung issue.

It is rather difficult to follow events at the Peace Conference in Paris. At one time it appeared as if China had been, in common parlance, let down again by the Allies in respect to the Austrian settlement, but later reports indicate that Chinese apprehensions on this subject were unfounded and that Austria will have no better treatment than Germany received.

Quite a respectable commission has been acquired by Chang Chin-yao, the Tuchun of Hunan, if report be true. Commission is a much nicer word than squeeze, but in China it means the same—very often. Chang is said to have cleared a cool twenty-five million dollars by selling rice to Japan which was ostensibly destined for Peking and Tientsin. The Government has ordered an inquiry. Chang, I do not suppose, will worry.

Evidently the President is hopeful regarding the resumption of the Shanghai Peace Conference, students who went to America

### V.R.C. FETE.

#### A SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

Although it rained very heavily in the morning, the Clerk of the Weather on Saturday night was in good mood, and the night fete organised by the Victoria Recreation Club, which had to be postponed previously, was eventually held. Excellent sport was provided and all the nine events were very hotly contested. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed and H. E. the Officer Administering the Government, who was a keen observer, emphasised that the swimming had been excellent.

In the four lengths handicap, I. Laing completed the distance in 66 seconds, which was not only the fastest time for a loser, but the best record made for a very considerable time. This lad is a most promising swimmer.

A. Rahmin, the schools' champion athlete, won the two lengths handicap in 32 seconds.

In the ladies' two lengths handicap, Miss M. Ramsay was the proud winner. Miss E. Jennings being a good second.

In the ladies' nomination race, M. A. Carvalho carried the palm, his nominee being Miss A. Basto. The water polo match was very interesting, the contest between the Whites and Blues being most exciting. Mr. R. C. Witchell captained the Blues and Mr. A. Logan the Whites, the Blues winning by 5 goals to nil. A string band was in attendance and played a capital selection of music.

The following were the results:

Four Lengths Handicap.—1. L. M. Franco (73 secs.); 2. D. Laing (71).

Running Header.—1. D. Laing; 2. G. Jack.

Two Lengths Handicap (Ladies).—1. Miss M. Ramsay (49); 2. Miss B. Jennings (52).

Two Lengths Handicap (Girls).—1. Miss G. Ramsay (51); 2. Miss Rosebud Young (56).

High Dive.—1. A. Logan (81 points); 2. Roza Pereira (79 points).

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Peking is anticipating the arrival of the six Handley-Page aeroplanes due here next week. Colonel Smallwood, whose services have been loaned to the Chinese Government, has already reached here, and so has Major Dochray, who represents the Marconi Wireless Company. The latter expects to have the wireless telephones here in a little time.

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### THE RECENT TYPHOON.

#### HOW FOOCHEW SUFFERED.

Due to the courtesy of a member of the Mercantile Marine, we are able to give first-hand information as to the damage caused in Foochow and vicinity by the recent typhoon. The loss of life is officially estimated at between 1,500 and 2,000, and this between the Pagoda Anchorage and Foochow, which covers a distance of about 10 miles.

Owing to the high tide, junks were carried many hundreds of yards from the course of the river and finally stranded on paddy fields. A considerable amount of damage was done to villages by trunks of trees, which had been blown down, being thrown against houses and other buildings by the wind during the typhoon. The water police station was badly damaged and Mr. Knox, who is in charge of the station, was unable to get out of the building for over 24 hours and nobody could get to his assistance. When the storm abated, he was able to get food, but he had a very narrow escape, the waves continually washing away portions of the building. A small Chinese steamer was washed well up into the paddy fields. The captain and engineer of the steamer were both drowned, owing to their having jumped overboard.

The buildings of the China Import and Export Lumber Company were somewhat damaged, and work had to be suspended owing to the engines stopping. The Company estimates its losses from logs drifting away at \$10,000. The quarters of the Standard Oil Company were also badly damaged.

Although a tremendous amount of damage was done to native property, including junks, sampans and other craft, the total loss of life did not exceed the figures quoted above. "The estimate of 30,000, as stated in one of your local papers, said our informant is a gross exaggeration." It is a fact, however, that the tide was higher than ever known before at Pagoda Anchorage. It reached 24 feet 8 inches.

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### LOCAL BOXING.

#### KID DANDING WILLING TO FIGHT.

A. C. Garcia writes us as follows:—"I, the Manager of Kid Danding of Manila, beg to inform the fight fans of Hongkong that we did not come here in the Colony for the sake of the two or three hundred dollar purse.

"I also beg to inform the public that we are not anxious about the purse that is to be at stake in the future in case the fight should be pulled off.

"Two years before we left the shores of Manila, we already knew that the purse offered here by local match-makers for a Championship bout is just about the same amount of purse given to a four-round no-championship bout in Manila.

"I brought Kid Danding here in the Colony for the sole object of meeting the best talent here, before proceeding to the United States. My man also wishes to meet the best boxer here in the Colony with or without purse, or winner take all, and if necessary he is also ready to meet any body here at his weight, at any time and at any place, the proceeds to go to local charity. Therefore, it is clearly understood that Kid Danding while here in the Colony will not only fight for the purse, but will also fight for any local charitable institution.

"Concerning Kid Danding's short but brilliant record, I will be too pleased to bring it into the light, providing that the gentleman who accepted the challenge should first sign an agreement that he will guarantee to fight on the date fixed by both parties.

"I will also put up a side bet of \$1,000 gold, providing that his

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### SHIPPING ITEMS.

The a.s. Dunera arrived from Shanghai on Saturday with 24 cabin passengers and 30 bags of mail. She carried a through cargo of 1,500 tons.

The Sunning experienced very

equally weather on her way from Amoy.

The s.s. Wosang from Swatow brought in 1,500 tons of rice for Hongkong. She arrived here yesterday afternoon.

The Tahchee, a British oil tanker whose local agents are the Standard Oil Co., Ltd., came into port yesterday morning with 8,302 tons of oil for the Colony.

The Fausang, a vessel under the agency of Jardine Matheson and Co., consigned to this port, 3,200 tons of coal.

The s.s. Aratoon Apac, from Moji, carried a through cargo of 2,040 tons and 1,500 tons direct for Hongkong. She arrived here yesterday.

The Hsitan, from Swatow, brought 1,100 tons of general cargo.

The Nam Sang, a British vessel, had on board 1,900 tons of through and 380 tons of direct cargo. She came in yesterday afternoon from Moji. She experienced cyclonic weather.

The Tean, of the China Navigation Co., Ltd., brought from Shanghai 1,500 tons of cargo for Hongkong.

The Chinhua, from Bangkok, consigned to this port yesterday 2,000 tons of rice. She is under the agency of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire.

The West Kassan carried a load of 3,500 tons from San Francisco.

The Ajax, Dutch boat from Batavia, towed a lighter into port. The Linburg, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, had 900 drums of benzins for Hongkong.

The s.s. Unnan Maru from Saigon delivered here yesterday 1,400 tons of general cargo. She belongs to the O.S.K.

The Hanoi, from Haiphong, brought in 1,100 tons of general cargo to-day.

The a.s. Dunera departed to-day for Bombay etc., with 62 saloon passengers, and 2,031 tons of general cargo.

### TODAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 4/- 11-16d.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Fair. Barometer 29.73. Temperature 2 p.m. 86. Humidity 2 p.m. 69.

### ADMIRAL RODGERS.

#### ARRIVAL IN HONGKONG.

Admiral Rodgers, of the U.S. Navy, arrived in the Colony yesterday by the Alava which is a transport ship. This boat was used for the time being as flagship, although the Brooklyn is Admiral Rodgers' real flagship.

Admiral Rodgers transferred his flag this morning to the Brooklyn. He had been for some months in Vladivostock and has come from Manila. He inspects the Helena here and later the Helena goes to Canton. Admiral Rodgers called on H. E. the Officer Administering the Government this morning at Government House.

### DAY BY DAY.

A Chinese constable was before

Mr. N. L. Smith to-day on a charge of stealing \$10 from a private ricksha coolie, and also for misbehaving on board the s.s. Hongkong.

Complainant gave evidence that yesterday afternoon, between four or five o'clock, he went aboard the steam launch Shan Mi when a lukong came on board and wanted to search his box.

He opened the box for him to search. He had some money tied around his waist, and the defendant took it away, and did not say anything after he untied the girdle. The case is proceeding as we go to press.

### DON'T FORGET.

#### TO-DAY.

Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

#### TO-MORROW.

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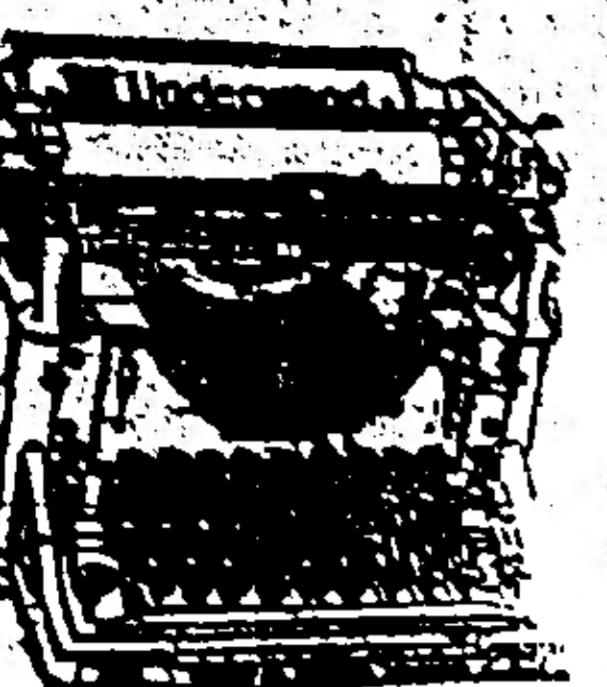
#### Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.



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## LUCK!

BY MRS. LANGTRY.

Mrs. Langtry (Lady de Bathe) contributes the following article to the *Weekly Dispatch*.

Luck! The word does not exist in my vocabulary. As far as I am concerned there is no such thing as Luck.

Luck may exist, but not alongside judgment. Luck is eliminated directly judgment comes into play. Good Luck becomes merely good judgment and Bad Luck bad judgment. Of course, if you have no judgment—well that I suppose, is really why so many people make such a fuss about Luck.

What you have to do is always to have so much in hand. That is judgment, and once you set up that rule Luck does not stand much chance of getting in your scheme of affairs. Fancy having such a wild-goose, will-o'-the-wisp, scatterbrain thing as Luck interfering in one's businesses! Would any sensible being tolerate it? Luck is not judgment except, perhaps, when it is a judgment on you.

But I can hear a little voice saying, "How about racing?" It may surprise the owner of that little voice to know that my theories hold good most especially with regard to racing. Luck in racing means that the person who boasts about—or deplores—his Luck on the racecourse does not know his job. He should know what will happen. He should, as I said before, always have something in hand. I have never won a race yet without my friends and myself reaping the advantage.

A "lucky" race is the most uninteresting thing possible. If you place your horse correctly it will win. And to place your horse correctly your judgment must be good. If your judgment is bad, do not blame Luck.

NOT LUCK BUT JUDGMENT.  
The best guide to your judgment in this respect is perhaps Captain Machell's famous maxim:

But yourself in the best company and your horse in the worst.

There is a lot of wisdom in that saying if you only come to think it out.

Once, and only once, have I been nearly induced to believe in Luck. It was my habit, more or less, to lay out my racing winnings on my house. I would build a wing here, or plant a garden there, or make a pleasure somewhere else. When Yento won the Cesarewitch for me I thought it would be only appropriate if I set up a Chinese room in honour of the event. So I did so. It was a really remarkable room. In my travels in the East I have collected many curios. These I got together, and, with other things I brought, I really think I managed to bring the Orient into Suffolk. There were Chinese decorations and lacquered screens, but the gems were some Buddhas in shrines. One was 500 years old if a day, and was seated on an onyx pedestal.

Now, no sooner was that room finished than I had quite a run of Bad—I mean a period in which my horses could do nothing right.

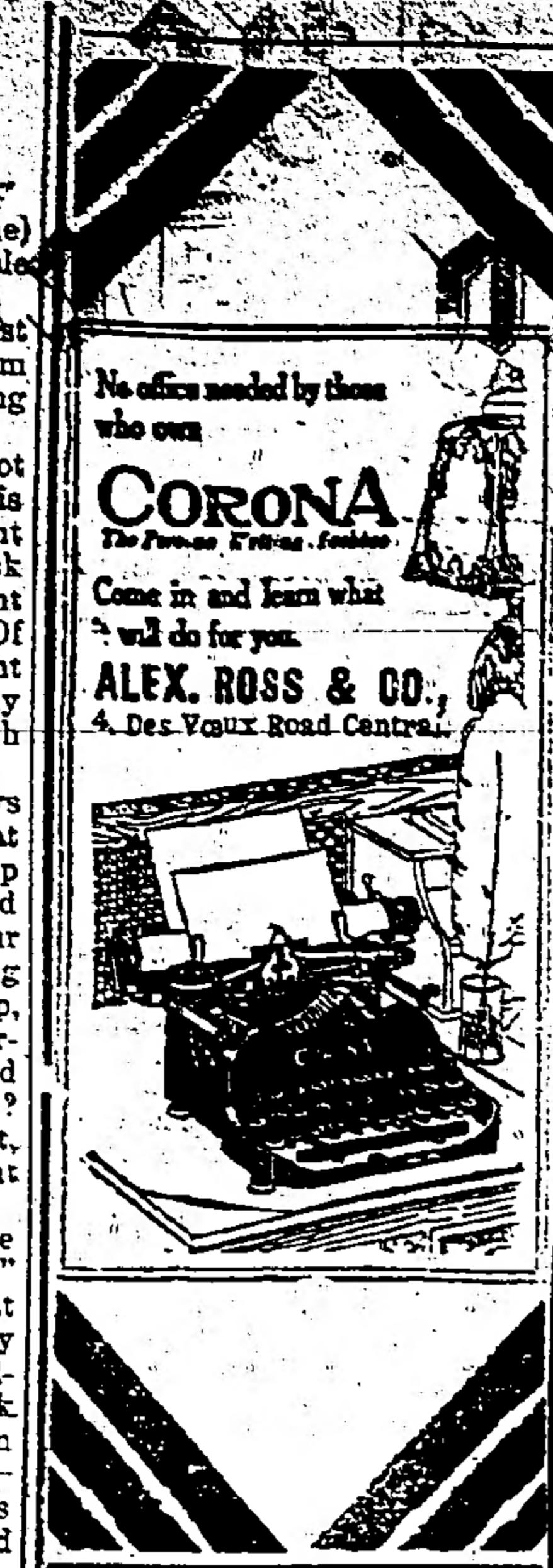
So impressed did I become with this coincidence that I actually had those Buddhas packed up in cases ready for despatch to be sold at Christie's. But before they went I grew ashamed of myself and my lapse into weakness, and I had them taken out and set up again. And I found that there was nothing in it really after all, for I soon started winning races again.

Bad Luck, you see, had nothing to do with it. The explanation was that the horses were not running in bad enough company or, more probably, that the stable was out of form, for stables get out of form in the same way as athletes do.

CAUSES OF SUCCESS.  
I have often had people tell me I have been lucky on the turf. That is not true. I have been, on the whole, quite successful, but I will not have it that I have been lucky. I won the Ascot Gold Cup with Merman—I am the only woman who has ever won the Ascot Gold Cup—but I did not put that down to Luck. It was the good horse that won, and as I chose the horse it all comes back to judgment again.

Merman is an Australian horse. I bought him without seeing him. What I went by was his form and his pedigree. Appearances do not matter in a racehorse. Form is the thing that really matters. Buy good horses and you will win races—or you will be lucky, as some people have it.

When Aurum won the Caulfield Guineas in Australia for me and then lost the Australian Derby owing to being pushed on to the



## BRITAIN'S CHILD PRODIGIES.

## INFANT MARVELS DUE TO WAR.

London, June 28.—Infant prodigies are being discovered in England almost daily. Some connect this with the psychology of war. One of the youthful marvels is Pamela Bianco, a thirteen-year-old girl artist, whose drawings were given the place of honour in an exhibition at one of the principal London galleries. Critics dealt with them quite seriously and said that the work was suggestive of Botticelli and some of the other old masters. Pamela is an Italian girl who was born in England and never had taken any drawing lessons.

Ronnie Routledge, four years old, little more than a baby, whose parents know nothing of music, has enjoyed six months of tuition on the violin. At the Grimsby College of Violinists recently he outranked forty-three competitors, most of them in the twenties, and scored 119 points in a possible 120. Professor Danton describes him as a miracle.

Little Bobbie Day, aged seven, of Brighton, son of a motor mechanic, had wonderful powers of clairvoyance, according to the *Weekly Dispatch*. Blindfolded he described a number of articles. These included a treasury note (giving its colour, numbers and writing on the back), the colour and texture of a piece of fabric he had never seen, the correct answer to a complicated sum in mental arithmetic, and figures written down at random.

After five minutes' test he complained of feeling icy cold. "I just see little pictures and I just say them," is Bobbie's explanation.

do, and the poor fellows who have "gone west" were but fulfilling their Destiny. There is more than some people think in the idea of our men that only that particular shell with their name and number on it could get them. Is not Luck too trivial a word to apply in such cases? Destiny if you like, but not Luck.

Once I remember thinking myself lucky to be alive. When I came back to Europe from America eighteen months ago I crossed the Atlantic in a Spanish ship which landed me at Vigo. While there I was invited by the Belgian Consul to go for a motor run in

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE AUSTRIAN TREATY.

Paris, Sept. 3.

The Austrian delegates have received the Treaty and they must send a reply within five days. The document is in French, English and Italian, comprising 451 articles. The French text only is binding—Vienna.

Paris, Sept. 4.

The Allies have granted the Austrians two days extension to reply to the Peace Terms.

Vienna, Sept. 4.

The newspapers indicate that the Austrian Treaty will be signed although the majority for signature in the National Assembly will be small.

Dr. Renner arrives on Sept. 5 when the Cabinet and the principal committee of the National Assembly will be considering the Treaty.

Vienna, Sept. 5.

Dr. Renner has made a statement acknowledging that every page of the Treaty exhibits careful endeavour on the part of the Peace Conference to put the confused situation in tolerable order. He enlarges on the sacrifices exacted by the Treaty and says the Austrians are subjected to complete economic dominion by the Allied Powers. He opined this would be bearable if they knew whether the League of Nations would exist and be so organised that it would be in a position to be just. The existence and working of the League of Nations was for German-Austria an essential condition of the Treaty.

M. Masaryk, President of Czechoslovakia, interviewed, re-emphasised the utter impossibility of any union with the Austrians and Magyars, but the new States must come to economic agreement. The best relations existed with Rumania, Jugoslavia and Poland, but as regards the Austrians and Magyars friendly relations were hoped for but depended exclusively upon them.

Vienna, Sept. 6.

Dr. Renner, interviewed, said he was returning to St. Germain on Sunday to sign the Treaty later. This shows that Dr. Renner is convinced the Austrian Assembly will accept the Treaty.

## ORIENTAL RESEARCH.

London, Sept. 7.

The members of the Royal Asiatic Society, the Societe Asiatique, the American Oriental Society and the Scuola Orientale (Rome) are holding a four days' joint session in London to discuss Oriental research.

Sir Charles Lyall welcomed the visitors.

Numerous papers necessitated the formation of separate sections for the Near East, India and the Far East.

On this subject Sir Charles Lyall said they aimed at concerning plans for the advancement of archaeological research among the Allies. The changes wrought by the war would enable scientific research to pursue its work in large tracts of territory hitherto closed. He referred to the entry of India as a nation into the field of politics and it was essential that a thorough endeavour be made to understand the Indian mind, thought and inspiration.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## SOLDIER FARMERS.

Ottawa, Sept. 5.

Regulations have been issued for the settlement of British soldiers not resident in Canada before the war. Those purchasing farms will be loaned five thousand dollars for land purchase, two thousand for livestock and two thousand for permanent improvements. All such settlers got one hundred and sixty acres free, plus one hundred and sixty acres under the free homestead laws. Loans are conditional upon two years' training in practical farming is the case of those inexperienced agriculturally.

## FROM DUKE'S RESIDENCE TO HOTEL.

London, Sept. 7.

It is understood that the Duke of Devonshire has sold Devonshire House in Piccadilly to an American syndicate, the price exceeding a million pounds sterling, for the erection of a huge hotel.

## WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

Rome, Sept. 5.

The Chamber has accepted a Government amendment to the Parliamentary Initiative Bill conceding electoral rights to women of all classes, except prostitutes, in all elections subsequent to those of next November.

## AUSTRIAN RAILWAYMEN STRIKE.

Vienna, Sept. 4.

Employees on the Austrian Southern Railway have struck for higher wages despite opposition of the Socialist leaders as starvation of the population is threatened thereby.

## CANADA RATIFIES PEACE TREATY.

Ottawa, Sept. 6.

The Senate has ratified the Peace Treaty.

## DEMOLITION.

London, Sept. 8.

The War Office announces that three and a quarter million British officers and men have been demobilized, including the medically unfit, since the armistice.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Sept. 8.

In silver there are spot transactions, with a firm market.

LUCK!

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the Pyrenees. I went. There was an Austrian chauffeur at the wheel, and everything was comfortable until we came to the mountains. After that it was a series of nightmare rushes down roads with a precipice on one side and a mountain on the other, and round corners at fifty miles an hour taking every conceivable chance. We met several cars on the way, and I was eternally expecting to meet one at a corner. That idea did not seem to occur to our driver, who took everything at the same speed. This went on for hours, until I was nearly grey. The last hill was taken with the emergency brake out of gear. My friends would have said I was unlucky if I had been thrown over a precipice. I am sure that in falling I should have been accusing the Austrian chauffeur of enmity towards me.

The day before I left San Sebastian; at that time there was a train smash, and there was another one the day afterwards. Lucky? No. Fate had not booked my ticket that journey. That's all.

MASCOTS FOR SAVAGES.  
As for my "Luck" in the theatrical world, that certainly is a sure and definite case of bad judgment. I have never had a really successful original modern play in my life. Why? Not because of bad luck, but because I am not a good judge of a play. All my successes have been in Shakespeare or in old comedies which have been proved before. A play that pleases me does not please the public. When I am reading it I am thinking to much of the literary style. But a play that reads well does not necessarily act well. Therefore, you see, I have been unlucky.

I believe in mascots as I believe in Luck. Mascots cannot bring anyone good Luck. Can anyone with common sense really believe that a little bit of fluff called a gollywog is going to bring good fortune? What can a senseless piece of wool effect?

I suppose this cold, matter-of-fact way of looking at the question of Luck is due to the fact that I have no Scottish or Irish blood in me. I have none of the mist of the North floating about in my consciousness. I did not originate in the blue hills. My bedroom window never opened out on to eerie moors where the emblem-flower of Good Luck, White Heather, keeps its shrine. I was born in a sunny island in the south, far away from all Celtic glamour.

You cannot be superstitious in the south. The sun will not let you. I was always rather surprised that in the play "The Thirteenth Chair" the woman who in the United States was represented quite rightly as being Irish in London was portrayed as a Spaniard. I think I am right in saying that Spaniards, like all southern races, are not superstitious, except those perhaps who live in the hills.

SUPERSTITIONS WHEN ILL.  
Luck is like clothes—largely a matter of climate. Which is a reason why people of the stage are such believers in Luck.

I never worry if there are thirteen at my table. Such a portent never troubles me. If I find I have walked under a ladder I do not go about anticipating Bad Luck. If, as a result, I experience any Bad Luck, such as having a paint-pot dropped on my latest Paris hat, I do not rail against Luck—I merely consider my judgment has been at fault in allowing myself to pass under such a danger.

I certainly never go to the opposite extreme, however, and plan to have thirteen at table. That is bravado, and there is no bravado about me.

I was born on the thirteenth—the thirteenth of October. They say, you know, that:

October's child is born to woe  
And the vicissitudes of life  
to know.

October's children stand by themselves in the world. If I take suddenly to a person I almost always find that he or she is an October child.

Now, perhaps, you will ask: "Who was it who was arguing just now that they were not superstitious?" I must confess to having my own pet personal superstitions—quite little ones, you know—superstitions which are probably no one else's. If I am in a nervous state of mind I give way to them. If not I defy them. Which is really another way of saying that my judgment is at fault—owing to ill-health.

You cannot get away from the fact that Luck has to vacate possession when judgment takes up the lease.

## NOTICES.

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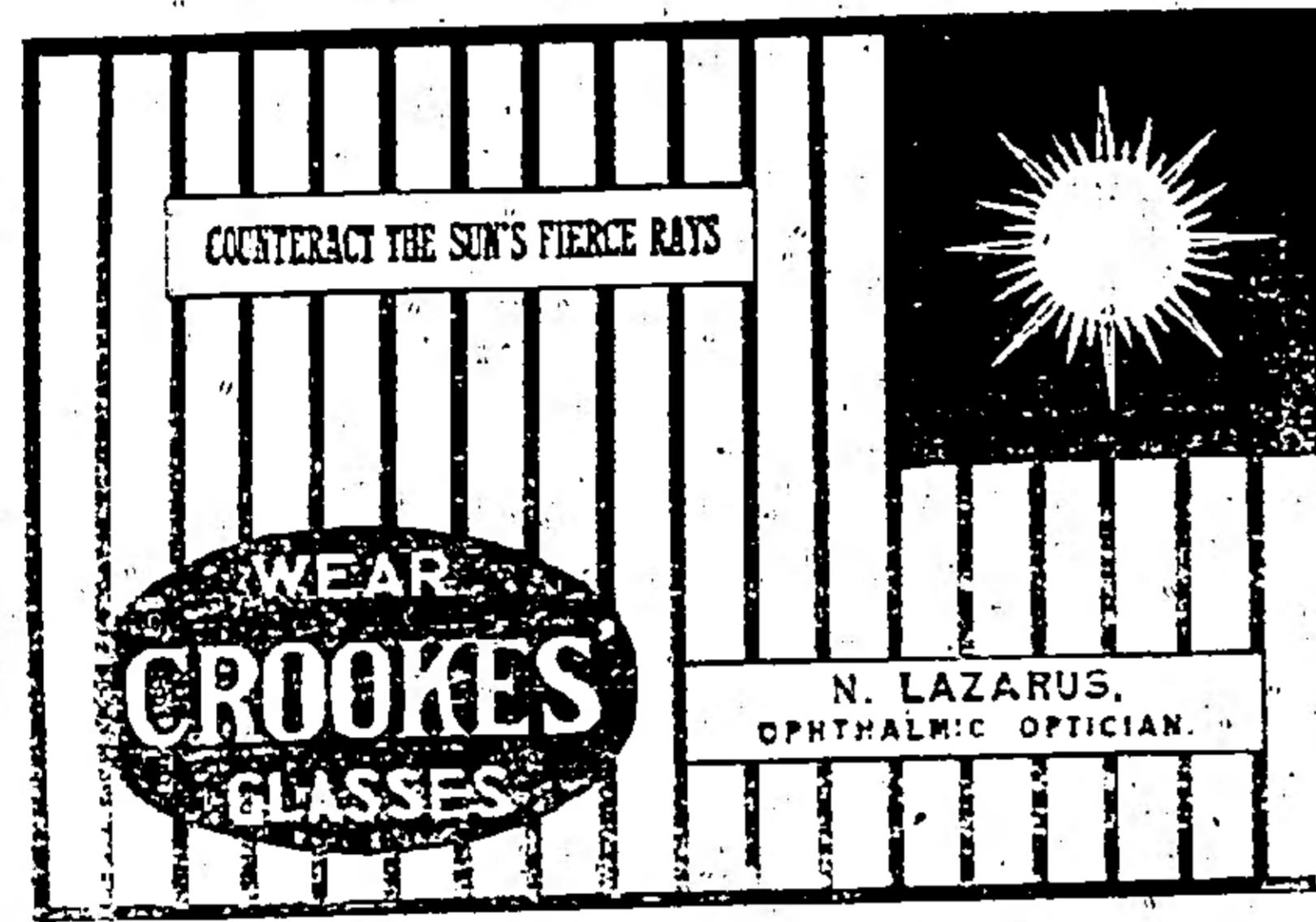
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE NAVY.

London, Sept. 5.

Lord Fisher, in another letter to the "Times" headed "Nero Fiddling while Rome is burning," replies to his critics and reiterates that the present Navy is obsolete for a war few years hence. He says it is the time to kick and stop the money. The recalls his reforms in the Navy and asks if it cannot be trusted.

London, Sept. 6.

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## THE SYRIAN QUESTION.

Paris, Sept. 3.

M. Barthou in the Chamber of Deputies said that things in Syria could not be allowed to continue. The British Government by the agreement of 1916 had duties to perform towards France. "We salute the alliance with Britain but we wish it to be complete and loyal."

London, Sept. 4.

The "Daily Mail" says that Sir Edmund Allenby returns to England on the 10th inst. Apparently no arrangements for a public welcome have been made and the omission must be quickly corrected. The "Times" in a leader says it is understood that Sir Edmund Allenby is returning to urge that the Syrian mandate be entrusted to France. It is believed in some quarters that he intends to resign if the recommendation is not accepted.

Paris, Sept. 5.

The "Tempt" says that Mr. Lloyd George is coming to Paris next week to confer with M. Clemenceau on the question of Syria.

## HOME LABOUR TROUBLES.

London, Sept. 4.

The Triple Alliance to-day considered the recommendation of the Executive of the Miners' Federation to proceed to a ballot on the question of whether direct action should be taken to compel the Government to repeal the Conscription Acts, withdraw British troops from Russia, release conscientious objectors now in prison and refrain from military intervention in trade disputes. A motion that the discussion be public was overwhelmingly defeated.

The Triple Alliance has agreed to postpone the ballot on direct action and adjourn the whole question till after the Trade Union Congress in Glasgow next week.

## BRITISH TRADE.

London, Sept. 6.

For August the imports were £149,000,000, an increase compared with August of last year of £38,000,000. The exports were £75,000,000, an increase of £21,000,000. For the eight months of the year imports were £1,000,000,000, an increase of £147,000,000, and exports £475,000,000, an increase of £141,000,000.

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## THE BOOM IN SPORT.

Home papers now coming to hand show that there has been a great boom in sport in the Old Country, and that outdoor games especially have gained increasing popularity. There are peculiar circumstances which explain this great desire to take part in athletics. As one writer says, the long period over which the war extended, during which sport was more or less at a standstill, rather tended to aggravate the wish of all those athletically inclined to resume as soon as possible. With others, the great reaction following a long period of stress and anxiety showed itself in the desire to take part in outdoor life, while in the case of those who spent some years in the Services the open-air existence encouraged the belief in the value of athletics as a health-promoting factor. It may truthfully be said that whilst the war claimed many sportsmen, it bred many others. Sport as an aid to training the military man in mind and body was placed at its proper value, and many men who before the war were indifferent to the benefits to be derived from outdoor exercise are now among its most ardent devotees.

During the past few months there has been a phenomenal interest shown in all branches of sport. Football, lawn tennis and cricket have been played with increasing zest by large numbers of enthusiasts; golf, never exactly a spectacular game, has come into its own again; whilst boxing appears to have increased in popularity. These facts clearly indicate that outdoor exercise appeals to the nation to a greater extent than ever before. That is a good sign, providing it is not overdone, and the most gratifying feature has been the obvious desire on the part of so many to take a really active part in whatever branch of sport they may be interested. In the past, so far as some of our games are concerned, there have been too few players and a disproportionate number of onlookers. It is reassuring to learn that the war has had its influence on this aspect of sport, and that a far bigger proportion of young men is showing an inclination to enter the playing fields. The consequence must be better physical development of the youth of the nation, which will have its benefits in uplifting the general standard of health.

Here in Hongkong, the war has adversely affected sport, though not, of course, to the same extent as at Home. Some of the pre-war sporting features have had to be dropped, whilst the reduced Service units have meant that the Colony has had fewer really capable exponents of various games. However, there are already signs of a coming boom in sport here, in which connection we anticipate with lively interest the resuscitation of the Interport Cricket Festival, wherein triangular contests are to take place in Hongkong in the latter part of this year between teams representing this Colony, the Straits, and Singapore. Then also there are prospects of an inter-port lawn bowls fixture, whilst in the other branches of sport we look for a big revival of interest when the new military and naval units arrive. Lawn tennis, too, is becoming even more popular than ever here, and in the coming open tournaments we shall no doubt witness some surprising developments. Outdoor recreation is a great means of maintaining good health in a Colony like this, with its trying and variable climate, and we are very fortunately placed in that some form of sport is available here all the year round. We believe that the growing popularity of sport is essentially good for the Colony. It means that more people go out into the open-air and fewer hang about Club bars than in the old days. It is having a most beneficial effect also on the rising generation of Chinese. For which reason we hope to see increasingly large facilities provided for participation in outdoor pastimes and every encouragement given to lads attending school to evince an active interest in the various forms of athletics.

## NOTES &amp; COMMENTS.

## THE PASS OFFICE.

Just a month ago, in commenting on the Pass Office question, we referred to the fact that, in consequence of war conditions, many people were in possession of valid passports, and remarked that "these passports, renewed every two years, ought to be quite sufficient to enable anyone to leave the Colony when occasion needs. We only want the Pass Office operating to shut out or keep an eye on undesirable characters. In other people it should have no interest whatever." That having been our attitude, we hail with satisfaction the announcement that the Pass Office requirements have been modified in line with the suggestions we offered. Henceforth British and foreign residents who have valid passports in their possession will not need any Police Pass to leave the Colony, whilst persons who arrive in and leave the Colony by the same steamer are merely required to produce their passports when demanded. This is a very sensible change, and one that will be greatly welcomed. In the past, no matter how well-known a man may have been, he has had to arm himself with a Police Permit as well as a passport on leaving the Colony, whilst temporary visitors, even if arriving and departing by the same boat, have had to go through the irritating procedure of visiting the Pass Office, even though they have had in their possession passports showing that they were fit and proper persons to enter the Colony. Now all this foolish business will be done away with. The abolition of the Pass Office would be a mistake at present, we think. The machinery is still preserved for keeping a check on dangerous characters, and that is all that is necessary, after all.

## A PLEA RE-EMPHASIED.

A reader has drawn our attention to the fact that returned soldiers' organisations at Home are at present keeping a keen eye on the appointment of candidates for public positions in Municipalities, etc., and are leaving no stone unturned to see that ex-Service men are given preference when other conditions are equal. He cites one instance in which a billet was given to a man who had not seen service when there were equally well-qualified ex-Service men amongst the candidates, whereupon the Comrades of the Great War sent a deputation to the Council and succeeded in getting the appointment held over for reconsideration. This shows the influences which are now at work at Home, and it provides a striking illustration of the need of all men who have been rejected for war service having something to show to prove the fact. Now this is not a passing phase of feeling. For many years, the question of whether candidates for positions have seen service will be raised, and that being the case, any man from Hongkong who happens to go Home and has nothing to show that he has been rejected will find himself in a very awkward predicament. It will be useless for him to say that he was turned down, when the proof of the fact is lying in the military or Government archives ten thousand miles away. We are informed that in Australia all men who were rejected for service were supplied both with a certificate and a badge. It should be quite a simple matter to issue to Hongkong's "rejected" similar proof. We trust that the authorities will look into this matter without delay.

## MURDER CHARGE.

The three prisoners remanded in police custody to find witnesses in connection with the murder of Chan Hing on the 18th August, in Shanghai Street, appeared again before Mr. Lindsell this morning.

The prisoners were committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

## THE LITTLE HERO.

A five-year-old boy, named Horne, tried to rescue his twin sister from drowning. The children had ventured near the water cooler at Weybridge electric light works, where their father is employed. One of the workmen, named Collier, attracted by screams, found the girl had disappeared beneath the surface of the water, while her little brother, who had unsuccessfully tried to pull her out, was hanging on the edge crying bitterly. Collier rescued both children.

Shorthand classes will be re-opened on the 15th inst.

## DAY BY DAY.

## THE BEST SECURITY AGAINST THE DEMORALISATION OF SOCIETY IS THE CONSTANT AND PROFITABLE EMPLOYMENT OF ITS MEMBERS.

Mr. Chan Kai-ming is still indisposed.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s. Changsha, which recently went aground at Cairns, are required to sign an average-bond.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 23rd August, amounted to 48,756 tons and the sales during the period, to 64,259 tons.

The many friends of Mr. Un Hew Fan, Hon. Secretary of the Chinese Recreation Club, will learn with regret of the death of his father, which occurred on Saturday.

Two Chinese were to-day charged before Mr. N. L. Smith, one with stealing two silver-plated bowls, and the other with receiving them. Mr. Smith sentenced both of them to three weeks' hard labour.

A Chinese who was found on the premises of the Astor House Hotel was charged to-day before Mr. N. L. Smith. He was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour. The man's excuse was that he was looking for a friend.

A Chinese was before Mr. N. L. Smith to-day on two counts—one as a returned banisher from Singapore, and the other, larceny. Mr. N. L. Smith sentenced him to one year's hard labour on the first charge, and three months on the second.

The Chinese Recreation Club annual "At Home" will be held on Saturday when the tennis and cricket prizes will be presented. It is also likely that the Tennis League will make it their closing day and that the shields will be presented and Wianers v. Rest matches played on the C. R. C. ground.

A man was charged to-day before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, with unlawful possession of 17 taels of non-Government opium which was found amongst his luggage on the Canton Wharf. The man said he came down because his father was ill, and he was accompanied by four men, who had the opium. Mr. Lindsell fined him \$1,000, or eight months' hard labour.

Two Chinese coolies employed in the Kowloon Docks were charged to-day with stealing pig-iron. A watchman gave evidence that he saw the two defendants carrying the iron, and when they saw him, they dropped the iron and ran away. He gave chase and one of the defendants jumped into the water. With the assistance of another Chinese both defendants were arrested. The first defendant was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour. The second defendant, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

## SHORTHAND.

## ITALIAN CONVENT SCHOOL RESULTS.

The following are the names of the candidates who received lately their certificate in Pitman's Shorthand—

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First Class.—Constance Stomham.

Second Class.—Wazira Ramjahn, Winnie Souza, Lilly Stonham, Lena McKenzie, Annie Dillon, Daisy Gittins, Mabel Holloway, Annie Tellan, Josie Hung, Keta Hazelton, Lily Haynes, Lucy Haynes Marjorie Garrod, May Hyde, Beatrice Eliza, May Fincher, Elvira Alvares, Eileen O'Sullivan, Margaret Gerrard, Cecilia Johansen, Bertha Rodrigues, Guilhermina Assumpção and Aurea Carvalho.

Third Class.—Lucy Haynes, Reta Hazelton, Eileen O'Sullivan, Margaret Gerrard, Marjorie Garrod, May Fincher, Mabel Wright, Bertha Rodrigues, Silvie de Cotte, Marie Rosario, Violet Van Langenberg, Mollie McBean, Florence Simmons, Violet Tsan, Olive Xavier, Amy Garth.

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## CURRENT COIN.

[BY "MERCARTOR"]

The troubles of the average resident of this Colony are continually increasing. To the increased cost of foodstuffs, etc., has now to be added the high premium on small coins. Saturday's notification in the Gazette prohibiting passengers carrying away from here more than one dollar is not going to make the situation much better. The problem of subsidiary silver coins is at present attracting much attention in the Colony. For the moment the position is very unsatisfactory. We are not issuing small coins and a good deal of the already minted coins have gone back into the melting pot, while the rest is being secreted in Canton. It is certainly an anomalous position—to have a silver standard while at the same time having subsidiary silver token coins. The Chinese are accustomed to look for weight for value in silver coins; consequently, on account of the high price of silver the present subsidiary coins have appreciated. The withdrawal of small coins has also helped to make the situation so difficult.

In view of the present high price of silver and the likelihood of the value being established for some years, there are many who contend that it would be advantageous to have nickel coins of five, ten and twenty cents, of a size and weight which can be easily decided upon. The success of the introduction of the new currency would depend almost entirely on the success attending the withdrawal of the existing subsidiary coins. For a time, of course, it would be inevitable that the new subsidiary coins would circulate side by side with the old, in some places, but such a state of affairs should only be allowed on sufferance, and not serve as a step in the process of currency reform. The danger of allowing the old and new subsidiary coins to circulate side by side for any length of time would lie in the possibility of the new currency becoming ultimately powerless to displace the old. There are a great number of items of expenses connected with coinage. As the main object or purpose of currency is to have fluid currency, the object would be defeated if the expenses were not brought down to a minimum.

Some Chinese merchants have approached the Chinese Chamber of Commerce with a view to getting the Government issue 50-cent and 20-cent notes, but a majority of the members were not in favour of this change. They argued that the small Chinese tradesmen would suffer by this innovation as the notes would be of a depreciative value. The coolies and hawkers would be the most hit. The matter is still being considered but it is expected that the Chamber will take no action on the matter.

The Chambers of Commerce in India are airing their grievance regarding the anomaly arising out of the existing system of determining the tariff rates of sugar. They argue that the valuation of China and Mauritius sugars is unfairly high as compared with that of Java and Japan sugars. Although it is recognised that the Indian valuation has been fixed in accordance with recognised procedure, it is clear that this procedure is quite unsuited to the abnormal trade conditions prevailing. The present system should be altered. Pending the introduction of a revised procedure, a special arrangement should be made to eliminate the anomaly under which British sugar is penalised as against foreign sugars.

Under present exchange there is very little chance of any revival of the trade in South China tin. Prices of the metal in Hongkong, however, have been constantly on the decline until at the present time 99 per cent. metal is quoted at about \$35 per picul of 133 1/3 pounds; and 98 per cent. at \$32. These prices compare very unfavourably with nominal prices of from \$95 to \$105. The cost is computed in the local currency. The situation has grown so serious in the mining fields that a great proportion of the miners have left work and have sought other employment, thus not only reducing the possibility of production at the present time, but destroying the organisation on which future production in a large measure must rest. Exports of tin from Hongkong up till May this year ports of China.



DR. MASARYK,

President of the Czechoslovakia Republic, who, according to a weekend telegram, declares that any union with the Austrians and Magyars is an utter impossibility.

## BALAAM'S ASS.

Prefacing his discourse by answering enquiries which had arisen from a previous sermon, the Rev. E. Martin said yesterday at St. Peter's Church that scholars now-a-days do not hold that Balaam's ass gave voice to human utterance. It would involve a reconstruction of the organs of an ass's throat. And although no one would deny that if God thought it well to do so He could make an ass speak, we have to remember that in this case Balaam was not a Jew, but a sooth-sayer from the Euphrates. Such an augur or sooth-sayer would give a meaning, according to his art, to the natural sounds of the ass. In view of the un-easiness of Balaam's conscience, we can scarcely wonder at his viewing the ass's obstinacy as a warning. Continuing his sermon, the preacher reviewed the gradual development of Hebrew Religion from the primitive joss and polytheism of Abram's day to the pure monotheism and Messianic hope of the last Prophets.

## TYphoon WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 10.45 a.m. yesterday:

Cyclone or typhoon S. of Guam, direction unknown.

amounted to about 2,111 short tons, all of which have gone to China. So long as silver exchange is anything like as high as now, Yunnan tin, as I have previously pointed out in these columns, cannot compete with from the Straits Settlements. It is one of the many items in the long list of Chinese products that cannot be moved under present exchange rates in competition with similar products from other countries produced on a gold basis. As Mr. George E. Anderson, the Consul-General for the United States, has pointed out, the production of tin in Yunnan Province, the basis of the tin industry of Hongkong, has all but completely collapsed. Estimates of production at the present time indicate that it has fallen off from 50 to 80 per cent., so that the production of the Yunnan fields this year will run only from 2,500 to 6,000 tons, instead of 12,000 tons last year. Hongkong exporters of tin are particularly discouraged at the prospect which has its most serious feature in exchange.

I have just heard Sir Martin Conway, the Director-General of the Imperial War Museum, give some very interesting information about the scheme to members of Parliament, states "Clubman" in the *Pall Mall Gazette*. It was proposed, he explained, to include every weapon used during the war, and a new State Paper Office would be erected to house the mass of original documents. The war photographs collected numbered more than two millions. It is intended that the museum shall include models of the 350 types of aeroplanes used. A lease of the Crystal Palace has been taken for four years from next April, and it is hoped that the collection will be on view in the early summer. The intention is to make the future museum a living museum, not dead like the Imperial Institute, and he thought it should house a living study body, the United Service Institution. It would be the University of modern war, with collections dating back from the time of Marlborough, an illustrated encyclopaedia of war. It should be placed on the banks of the Thames just below the County Hall. In front of it could be moored some vessel like the *Vindictive*. On the river edge would be a great facade with a great memorial sculpture behind it; for all men to see, and behind that the museum, with its library and research department.

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[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

## HONGKONG AND THE GERMANS.

Sir.—It is impossible for any clean-thinking man to remain silent after reading some of the correspondence and thin reasons for allowing the Germans back in our midst. Before it develops into a Free Trade versus Protection argument, it would be well to weigh up the benefits the Colony received, while the Germans were established here. They had, of course, to pay rent, use the Ferry, and the Peak tram and dock their ships. Then their share to the upkeep of the Colony stopped. Our Free Trade countrymen in England gave them agencies for our best manufactured goods and products, in preference to old-established British firms. Yes, the Germans burned the midnight oil in their offices so that they could supplant us, and because they were working by the "request" of their Government and for the rise of Imperial Germany. The Hongkong Germans did benefit. The eighty steamers that made this their home port, purchased their coals, ship chandlery, etc., from their nationals: they had their own hotels, repair shops, and the monopoly of the beer trade. They were agents for the best brands of whisky. Yes, they got all they could out of the good-natured "MacWhirters" and their kind and gave nix in return. Of course the volume of trade looked well in statistical reports, but how much of it was ours?

Remember, you who sneer at the British Empire Union, that it was British grit and enterprise that created this important and beautiful Colony, and would you share you birthright again with a race like the Germans? Are you deaf or blind? Find out what was plotted for the 4th August, 1915; remember Singapore: look at stricken Russia to-day. Is it possible that you want the "Red Terror" in Hongkong? It would be an easy task for the practised Hun to plunge us into anarchy, and as sure as he is allowed to wander of his own sweet will, he is going to make mischief. He is an adept at it.

Competition in trade is surely not wanting here. Your correspondents ought to be satisfied. There is hardly an article of British manufacture to be had for money, although we have been at peace nearly a year.

It is argued that if the Germans don't come here, they will go somewhere else. They tried that years ago—Swatow, Amoy, Hainan. They even wanted to make Whampoa an ocean port to oust Hongkong. One consolation is, wherever they go they are confronted with Britons of the Holyoak type. It is well we have a few such men left and not a lot of timid, hair-splitting croakers.

In relation to the indemnity, it is argued that if the Teuton is not allowed free scope for trade, he will be unable to pay. That will make precious little difference to Hongkong or the Empire, for even if he does pay, and the money is assigned in the same manner as the ton-for-ton arrangement was, our financial

## THE WEISS CASE.

## INQUIRY INDEFINITELY ADJOURNED.

The U. S. Court of Inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of Mr. F. E. Weiss was resumed at Shanghai on September 1. Only evidence of identification was offered, and the proceedings were adjourned, subject to call by the Court.

Mr. A. H. Tessier, of the C. P. O. S. passenger department, was questioned by Mr. C. P. Holcomb with regard to identification.

"You were acquainted with Mr. F. E. Weiss?"

"Yes. I worked with him for several months."

"When did you last see him alive?"

"On the Wednesday evening, about 6 o'clock, when he was leaving the office."

"Did he say where he was going, or mention any engagements?"

"He said he was going to play tennis."

"Where?"

"At Mr. Hallam's."

"Did he make any further remark to you about his movements?"

"No. I knew he had made an appointment that afternoon with Mr. Wavell."

"What time did he make that?"

"At 2 or 3 o'clock in the afternoon."

Witness further spoke as to having identified the body after death.

Mr. A. B. Hykes, a member of the jury, also gave evidence of identification.

Mr. Holcomb announced that that was all the evidence he had to offer.

The Coroner (Mr. N. E. Lurton) then addressed the jury. "At the present time," he said, "there is no further evidence which can be presented to you. There have been many clues presented to the authorities since this man was found dead, and there are still clues under investigation. May-

be something will develop, and may be not. I am presenting these instances to you for your consideration as to whether or not you wish to adjourn this jury until a further time, or render a verdict now. I should like to know what your sentiment is on the subject in view of these facts."

The jury retired and were in private deliberation for about ten minutes, in the meantime having requested and obtained permission to call in the District Attorney.

"On their return, the foreman said that, if it was agreeable to the Coroner, the jury would rather adjourn until some more evidence was produced.

The Coroner—Well, it is not certain whether any more evidence will be produced, but every effort will be made to bring further evidence before you if possible. If you feel that way about the matter, the session will be adjourned until—

Mr. Holcomb—I would suggest, subject to call by yourself.

Eventually, it was decided to adjourn the inquest subject to call by the Court.

On September 1 the second public notice in connection with the case was issued by the Criminal Investigation Department, and, in English and Chinese, read as under:

\$1,000 REWARD.

"Referring to Police circular No. 129, in addition to the reward offered by the S. M. P., a further sum of \$1,000 has also been offered by the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services, Ltd., for information leading to the discovery of the movements of the late F. E. Weiss subsequent to 9.30 on the evening of August 20, and establishing the circumstances under which he met his death."

The Chairman went on to state that he and the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook had arranged with the Government for reporting to the Government any smuggling of silver sub-coins & a reward of \$50 out of every \$100 seized will be given.

Mr. Chan Harr stated there was no smuggling of sub-coins, according to latest information. He attributed the cause of the rising of the value of the sub-coins to pro-

tection.

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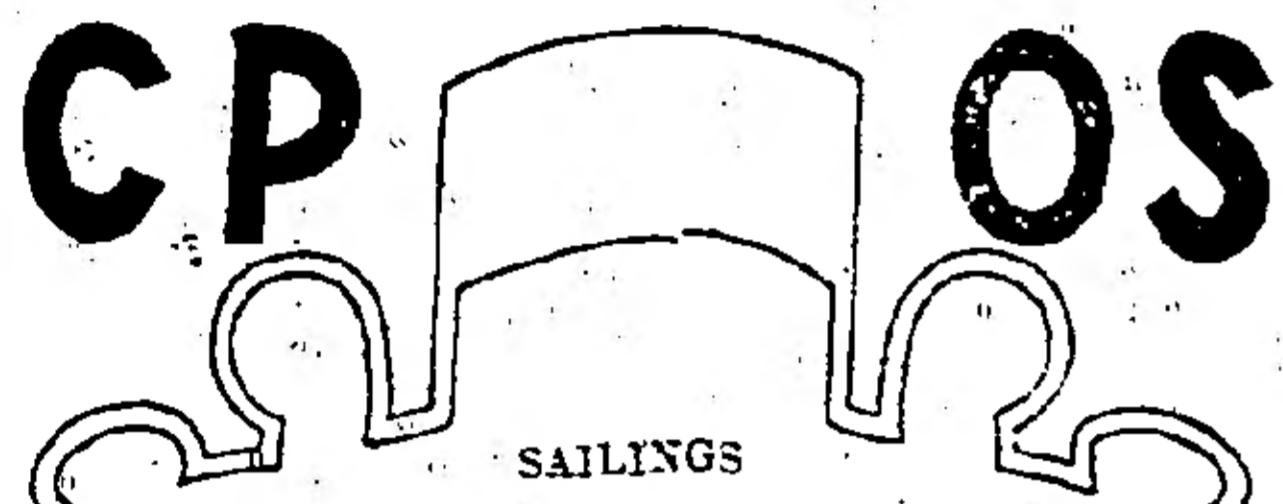
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defeat of the previous week was reversed. Commander Kenworthy moved that no alien should be employed or act as

master, officer or be a member of the crew of a British merchant

ship registered in the United Kingdom, except in the case of a

ship employed entirely in trade between parts of the world outside the British Empire. The gallant officer, in supporting his proposal said the most

dangerous spies were not Germans, Austrians, or Turks, but the people of a nation he would not mention by name. Experience showed that neutrals were the worst spies. He did not agree with those who continually said this would be the last war, and this country should make preparations for whatever might happen. It was a scandalous thing that we had not sufficient men to man the ships we had. He therefore proposed to add to his clause a provision that an alien may be employed as a member of the crew only for three years after the date of the passing of this Act provided no seafarers who are British subjects are available. The Home Secretary said he hoped this clause would not be pressed. They all wanted to see British ships manned by British seamen, but the way was not by this kind of legislation. The right way was by making the pay and conditions properly attractive, and then we should have plenty of men both for our Merchant Marine and our Navy. This would throw us open to retaliation by other nations which now employ British seamen. His objection, however, did not extend to masters of ships. The new clause was read a second time, and then the Committee proceeded to amend it. It was made to apply to masters, chief officers, and chief engineers only of merchant ships, and the clause, as amended, was then added to the bill. A new clause, providing that no alien shall hold a pilotage certificate for any port in the United Kingdom, was carried by 13 votes to 4, after being strongly opposed by the Home Secretary on behalf of the Government, and the Committee.

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Sailings from Hongkong.

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"City of Newcastle" ... via Suez 7th Nov.

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.

Subject to change without notice.

For freight and particulars apply to

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THE STEAMSHIP:

**"VAN WAERWYCK"**

will be despatched on the 26th Sept. to:

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This vessel offers excellent cabin-accommodation for saloon  
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SAILING (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer. Arrives Hongkong  
from Australia. Leaves Hongkong  
for Australia.

CHANGSHA ... 13th Sept. 18th Sept.

These steamers are fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring  
a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc, and have superior  
accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in  
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Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tas-  
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## CONSIGNEES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

"KOREA MARU,"

Steamer arrived from SAN

FRANCISCO, HONOLULU.

JAPAN PORTS.

Friday, September 5th.

Consignees of cargo are hereby

notified to present their Bills of

Lading for countersignature and

take immediate delivery from

alongside steamer or the Com-

pany's Godown, where all cargo

impeding immediate discharge

will be landed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be assessed o-

cargo remaining undelivered

after 11th September.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages will be landed into the

Company's Godown, and none will

be entertained if presented later

than three weeks after arrival of

the steamer.

No claims will be recognised

after the goods have left the

steamer or Godown, and none will

be entertained if presented later

than three weeks after arrival of

the steamer.

The Admiral Line s.s. CITY

OF SPOKANE, will arrive at

Hongkong about September 18th,

from Seattle via usual Japan

ports and Shanghai.

The American and Manchurian

Line s.s. CITY OF FLORENCE

left New York on 11th July last

and may be expected to arrive at

Hongkong about the 15th Sept

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**BANKER & CO.****WEST RIVER PASSENGER SERVICE.**

The M. S. "KONGMING" (Captain Wilks), will leave the Yeung Tai Hing Wharf (Connaught Road West) at 5 p.m. on 9th inst. for Wuchow via West River Ports.

This vessel has excellent European accommodation for first class passengers, and was built expressly for the West River trade, being fitted with electric light and fans and is complete with every modern convenience.

An excellent table is provided.

Owing to the lack of hotel accommodation in Wuchow passengers taking the round trip will be allowed to remain on board the vessel without extra charge.

For freight and passage apply to

**BANKER & CO.**

1st Floor Hotel Mansions

Messrs. Thomas Cooks & Sons  
Passenger Agents.

G. R.

## NOTICE.

1. On and after Monday 8th September 1919, the issue of permits to leave the colony will be discontinued.

2. British subjects wishing to leave Hongkong must have in their possession passport which has been issued within the last two years.

3. Foreign subjects wishing to leave Hongkong must have in their possession a valid passport issued by their respective diplomatic or consular officers.

4. Persons arriving in and leaving Hongkong by the same steamer will have their passports examined on board, both on arrival and departure.

5. Persons embarking from Hongkong will have their passports examined on departure. To prevent delay in sailings shipping companies should satisfy themselves that intending passengers have the necessary passports in their possession.

6. Members of ships crews are allowed to sign on without obtaining a permit from the Captain Superintendent of Police.

All persons with certain exceptions who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916. Forms of registration giving the particular required may be obtained at the G. P. O. and at all Police Stations.

The penalty for non-compliance is a fine not exceeding \$50.

## NOTICE.

The s.s. "CHANGSHA" sailed from Sydney on 16th August 1919 for Hongkong via ports, having grounded at Cairns, consignees of cargo by her are hereby notified that they will be required to sign an Average Bond and pay deposit of 5% on c.i.f. and c.v. value before delivery of their cargo can be granted.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents, Australian Oriental Line.

## NOTICE.

DIOCESAN GIRLS SCHOOL KOWLOON.

This school will re-open Tuesday September 16th. Boarders return Monday 15th September.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

SATURDAY the 13th Sept. 1919

commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 11 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. West Point (for account of the concerned)

3710 Bags Brown Sugar.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

Geo. P. LAMMERT.

Auctioneer.

## WANTED.

WANTED—By a leading British Insurance Company a suite of offices on or before the 31st October next in the Central District of Hongkong.

Reply Box 234 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph."

WANTED—Book-keeper for an Import & Export firm. Must be experienced. Apply stating qualifications and salary required. Apply Box 235 c/o Hongkong Telegraph.

## NOTICE.

Owing to the illness of Miss O' Sullivan, the Wedding which was advertised to take place yesterday 7th has been postponed until the following Sunday Sept 14, at the same time and place.

H. POMROY.

## NOTICE.

MUSIC LESSONS.  
Professor Danenburg will resume his Piano lessons this month at No. 1, Albany Road. Hongkong, 6th September. 1919.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

WEDNESDAY, the 10th September 1919.

commencing at 2 30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:

Teak hatstand with bevelled mirror. Drawing room suites. Leather covered couch, armchairs and chairs, Lady's desks, Bookcase, Electric ceiling fans and table lamps. Carpets, Pictures and Engravings, Brass and Bronze ornaments etc. etc.

Teak sideboard with bevelled mirror, tea, dining tables and chairs. Dinner wagons, Glass cabinets, tea tables, Dinner and Dessert services, Glass and Cutlery ware etc. etc.

Double brass mounted iron bedsteads, teak wardrobes. Chests-of-drawers. Dressing table with bevelled mirror. Marble top washstands etc. etc.

Also

A few pieces of Blackwood.

And

1 Grand Piano by "John Broadwood & Son"

1 Cottage Piano by "W. Robinson & Co." (in fine condition)

1 Remington Typewriter No. 10

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1 12-Bore Double barrelled gun by Wilkinson, London, with Leather case.

Terms: Cash on delivery Catalogue will be issued.

On view from Tuesday, the 9th inst. 1919.

Geo. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

## CONSIGNEES.

## PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO,  
KOBE SHANGHAI.

S.S. "WEST KASSON."

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co Ltd, at stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on Sept. 11th, at 10 a.m. and September 12th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after September 13th, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.  
As Operators, U.S. Shipping  
Board.

Hongkong, 6th September, 1919.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From KOBE

THE Steamship

"NAMSANG"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery, will be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be reconized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by.

JARDINE, MATHESON  
& CO. LTD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1919.

## NOTICE.

NATIONAL BONDS OF  
The 3rd, 4th and 5th years of  
THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

NOTICE is hereby given that repayment of drawn bonds and payment of interest coupons will henceforth be made in Hongkong Notes at current rates, for the equivalent of the face value of said bonds and coupons.

For the  
BANK OF CHINA.  
Tsuyee Pei  
Manager

## NOTICE.

## SMILLIE.

## FANATIC OR PROPHET?

Alexander M. Thompson writes in the Weekly Dispatch as follows:

"What kind of man is this Smillie?" asked a physically and financially solid tradesman of Keswick to whom I had just been introduced. "Does he speak the King's English?"

"As well as can be expected," I assured him, "of any poor creature who suffers the disadvantage of being Scottish."

"But you know what I mean," continued the questioner. "Has he any idea of grammar?"

"I doubt whether he ever learnt it," I answered, "but he speaks more correctly than some men who have been to college."

"The gentleman of Keswick snorted contemptuously and shifted his ground. "Do you believe, that the man can be honest?"

"To be honest as this world goes," I replied, quoting the late Prince of Denmark, "is to be one in ten thousand. If to be honest implies absolute innocence of guile, I should say that Mr. Smillie is about as innocent as well Marshal Foch."

As my Keswick acquaintance looked puzzled, and as the reader of this transcript of our talk may share his bewilderment, it may be useful to expound. What I meant to suggest was that finesse and bluff are indispensable conditions of war or diplomacy.

As Touchstone said of poetry, strategy is feigning. No leader of men in a conflict of interests can afford in every case to tell exactly what he means or all that he means.

Besides, any enthusiast who is passionately pregnant of his cause is bound to exaggerate. He instinctively and perhaps unconsciously emphasises his side of the case and depreciates or ignores the other.

"A HERO TO HIS VALET."

Was Luther strictly fair, or Ignatius, or Cromwell, or Coriolanus, or Gladstone? I myself, in the advocacy of my views, have sometimes said more than I meant.

The very worst way to study any opinion which is violently opposed to our own is to begin by suspecting our opponent's good faith. It may be good tactics in law, when doubtful of your own case, to vilify the other seconder. But in serious and sincere controversy that way merely darkens counsel and does not conduct to discovery of the truth. Besides, it is so cheap and easy, and so extremely ineffectual, to brush aside and awkward question by pretending to believe that the man who poses it is either a humbug or an ass.

Mr. Smillie, clearly, is neither. His achievement of the last few months proves him to be a forcible personality who, in the huge task of social reconstruction lying before us, must be recognised by intelligent observers as one of the factors that count. He is one of the men of the time. He is a evidently not a fool.

A man is not a hero, without cause, to his valet, nor to his secretary. Mr. Hodges, the able young man who acts in the latter capacity to Mr. Smillie, paid him a tribute of loving admiration before us, must be recognised by intelligent observers as one of the factors that count. He is one of the men of the time. He is a evidently not a fool.

Another speaker, Mr. Harry Twist, of the Lancashire miners, who is certainly not one of the extremists in the trend of industrial evolution, vividly described as "the movement" went to declare, with unquestionable reason, that no Labour leader in this or any other country has so endeared himself to the hearts of the working classes.

He added, what many readers may regard as amazingly absurd, that Mr. Smillie has not in his nature one spark of enmity against the classes he is fighting, but quite fervently believes that the co-operation of manual workers with the managerial captains of industry, which he proposes to substitute for the actual class division and strife, would conduce to the greater happiness and well-being of the entire nation.

THE WISTFUL NOTE.

The Duke of Northumberland certainly showed more petulance and truculence than he did.

Mr. Smillie talked to him like a father. "Some of your brothers," he seemed gently to suggest, "seem to be having a very hard time of it. They appear to think that you have secured a part of their birthright. Don't you think that we should be a happier family if we tried to pull together a bit more?"

The duke thinks the question was impudent. I feel sure Mr. Smillie did not mean it so. There was no note of spite in his inquiry.

It was a wistful, almost pathetic appeal, rather than a rebuke or insult. The man simply,

passionately, fanatically meant just what he said. The rasping asperities of the ducal cross-examinations were monopolised by another member of the Commission.

Smillie is essentially big. I

think he is a fanatic, obsessed by one idea, which burns in him like a smouldering fire and bursts occasionally into angry jets of flame, throwing all other considerations into lamp-black shadow.

He has known the grinding

torment of poverty and endured

the hardships of the underground

worker's life in its more cruel

days, and nothing will ever purge

his soul of the bitterness of his

memories.

His deep-sunk eyes look out

from under his shaggy eyebrows

with the intensity that one has

seen in old pictures of

Spanish monks. His gaze is

restless. He has the vision

ary's air of searching for

something far away. He has the

hollow cheeks and furrowed brow

of the earnest thinker; the lean

and hungry look which under

tyrannies marks the conspirator

and in democratic States the

agitator.

I understand that he is not al-

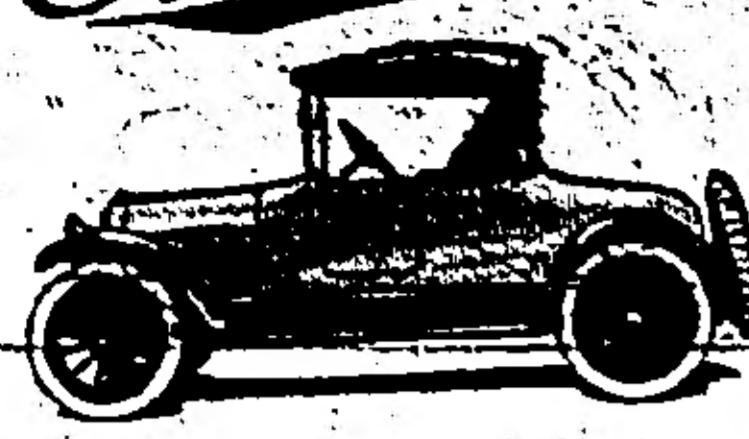
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Prices very moderate.



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WE HAVE A LARGE SELECTION OF  
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WE ARE IN THE BEST POSITION TO  
SUPPLY TYPEWRITER REQUISITES  
SEND US YOUR ORDERS FOR RIBBONS  
CARBON PAPER, ETC.

APPLICATION forms for  
Membership of the above  
Association may be obtained  
from all the Banks or from the  
undersigned.

THE UNION INSURANCE  
SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.  
Honorary Secretaries &  
Treasurers.

Hongkong, 15th January 1919.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO. LTD

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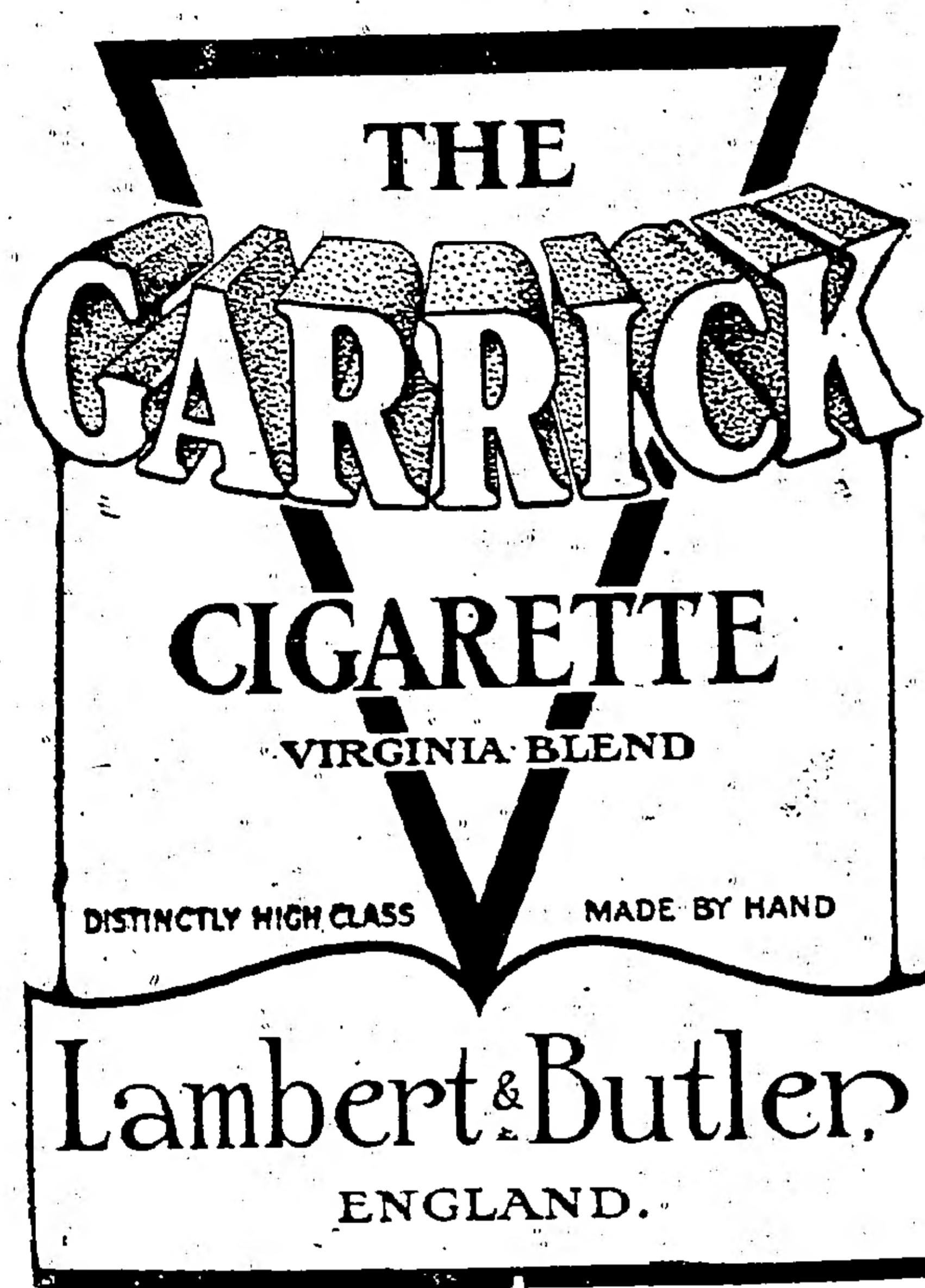
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Sunning, 1570, Br., Capt. Benson, Shanghai, B. & S.—Mooring.—B 10.  
Wosang, 1127, Br., Capt. James, Shanghai, J. M.—Mooring.—W. Point.  
Tahchee, 4055, Br., Capt. McKenzie, San Pedro, St. Oil—Laichikok.  
Fausang, 1410, Br., Capt. Skinner, Karatsu, J. M.—Mooring.—B 31.  
Arratoon Apca, 2930, Br., Capt. Rowe, Kobe, P. & O.—Mooring.—A 3.  
Yingchow, 1216, Br., Capt. Simons, Tsingtao, B. & S.—Mooring.—C 19.  
Haitan, 1183, Br., Capt. Stewart, Foochow, D. L.—Mooring.—Wharf.  
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Ajax, 261, Br., Amoy, A. P.—Mooring.—North Point.  
Linburg, 1141, Br., Amoy, A. P.—Mooring.—North Point.  
Kwong Tah, 1356, Ch., Capt. Stewart, Shanghai, China—Merchants—Mooring.—W.  
Unnan Maru, 1340, Jap., Capt. Nishita, Saigon, O. S. K.—Mooring.—B 9.  
Cornelia, 215, Br., Capt. Negur, Swatow, J. R. Braga—Mooring.—Wharf.  
Hanoi, 100, Br., Capt. Moran, Haiphong—Lapique—Mooring.—W.

## POST OFFICE.

Allied soldiers in the various hospitals in Siberia are badly in need of reading matter. Any books, newspapers etc. for their use handed in at the G.P.O. will be packed and forwarded to them free.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

## INWARD MAIRS.

Japan—Per KOSOKU MARU, 9th Sept.  
Straits—Per BENRINNES, 9th Sept.  
Shanghai—Per NAGOYA, 10th Sept.  
Shanghai—Per FOOCHOW, 10th Sept.

## OUTWARD MAIRS.

TO-MORROW.  
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 9th Sept., 7.30 a.m.  
Swatow—Per Bangkok—Per KANCHOW, 9th Sept., 10 a.m.  
Saigon—Per TELEMACHUS, 10th Sept., 1 a.m.  
Singapore—Amoy—Foochow—Per

Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 9th Sept., 2 p.m.  
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 9th Sept., 3 p.m.  
Fremantle, Adelaide, Perth, Sydney, Melbourne and New Zealand—Per CHEFOO, 9th Sept., Reg. 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.  
Macao—Per CHUNCHOW, 9th Sept., 4.30 p.m.  
Straits, Bangkok and Calcutta—Per ARRATOON, APCAR, 9th Sept., 5 p.m.  
Hoihow and Haiphong—Per MO HON, 9th Sept., 5 p.m.  
Formosa via Keeling—Per KAIRIN M., 9th Sept., 5 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.  
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 10th Sept., 7.30 a.m.  
Shanghai, North China & Japan via Yokohama, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central & South America and EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO—Per VENEZUELA, 10th Sept., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.  
Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO—Per KOREA MARU, 10th Sept., Reg. 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER.  
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 11th Sept., 7.30 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSHU MARU, 11th Sept., 9 a.m.  
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhansakkadi, Egypt and EUROPE VIA MARQUEES—Per NAGOYA, 11th Sept.,

## TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

## OFFICIAL PRICES.

	Banks.	\$680
Cantons	b.	440
North Chinas	b.	200
Unions	n.	2134
Yangtze	n.	280
Far Easterns	b.	23
Fire Insurances.		
China Fires	n.	138
H. K. Fires	b.	345
Shipping.		
Douglas	n.	95
Steamboats	b.	244
Indos (Pref.)	n.	92
Indos (Def.)	n.	193
Shells	n.	175/-
Ferries	n.	35/-
Refineries.		
Sugars	n.	178
Malabons	n.	46
Mining.		
Kailans	b.	60/-
Langkats		
Shanghai Loans	b.	19
Shai Explorations		
Raubs	b.	210
Trohns	b.	44/6
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Docks Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. K. Wharves	b. & sa.	107
K. Docks	n.	178
Shai Docks	n.	115
N. Engineering	b.	325
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
Centrals	n.	109 1/2
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L. Invest.	b.	121
H'phreys Est.	b.	9.20
K'loon Lands	n.	46
L. Reclamations	n.	175
West Points	n.	94
Cotton Mills.		
Ewos	n.	305
Kung Yiks	n.	271 1/2
Lau Kung Mows	n.	207 1/2
Orientals	n.	112
Shai Cottons	n.	198
Yangtzepeos	n.	15
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	b.	814
China Borneos	n.	1214
Do. Light	b. old 7 1/2 new 3 1/2	new 3 1/2
China Providents	s.	9
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Electrics H. K.	n.	8612
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Hk. Tramways	n.	8.35
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Steel Foundries	n.	10
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Hongkong, Sept. 8, 1919.

## WEATHER REPORT.

September 8th, 45pm—No return from Vladivostock, Japan, Weihaiwei and Formosa.  
Pressure has decreased slightly at Shanghai. It is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.  
Depressions are moving to the south of Guam and over China.  
Hongkong, Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches Total since January 1st, 5745 inches against an average of 6348 inches.  
FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

## District Forecast

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock, S.W. wind, moderate, fair.  
2 Formosa Channel, The same as No. 1.  
3 South coast of China, between H.K. and Lancker, as No. 1.  
4 South coast of China, between H.K. and Hainan, as No. 1.  
W. G. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant, Hongkong Observatory, Sept. 8th, 1919.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On Date On Date  
at p.m. at 6 a.m. at p.m.  
Barometer 19.70 21.73 23.73  
Temperature 88 81 86  
Humidity 65 83 69  
Wind Direction W.S.W. S.W.  
Wind Force 3 2 3  
Weather 0.01 0.01 0.00  
Rain High open air Temperature on the 7th 88  
Clouds 8th 81  
The time ball is out of commission.  
H.K. Observatory, Sept. 8, 1919.  
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

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